35A-4-502. Administration of Employment Security Act.

- (1) (a) The department shall administer this chapter through the division.
- (b) The department may make, amend, or rescind any rules and special orders necessary for the administration of this chapter.
- (5) There is created an Employment Advisory Council composed of the members listed in Subsections (5)(a) and (b).
 - (a) The executive director shall appoint:
- (i) not less than five employer representatives chosen from individuals recommended by employers, employer associations, or employer groups;
- (ii) not less than five employee representatives chosen from individuals recommended by employees, employee associations, or employee groups; and
 - (iii) five public representatives chosen at large.
- (b) The executive director or the executive director's designee shall serve as a nonvoting member of the council.
- (c) The employee representatives shall include both union and nonunion employees who fairly represent the percentage in the labor force of the state.
- (d) Employers and employees shall consider nominating members of groups who historically may have been excluded from the council, such as women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities.
- (e) (i) Except as required by Subsection (5)(e)(ii), as terms of current council members expire, the executive director shall appoint each new member or reappointed member to a four-year term.
- (ii) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (5)(e)(i), the executive director shall, at the time of appointment or reappointment, adjust the length of terms to ensure that the terms of council members are staggered so that approximately half of the council is appointed every two years.
- (f) When a vacancy occurs in the membership for any reason, the replacement shall be appointed for the unexpired term.
- (g) The executive director shall terminate the term of any council member who ceases to be representative as designated by the council member's original appointment.
- (h) The council shall advise the department and the Legislature in formulating policies and discussing problems related to the administration of this chapter including:
 - (i) reducing and preventing unemployment;
- (ii) encouraging the adoption of practical methods of vocational training, retraining, and vocational guidance;
 - (iii) monitoring the implementation of the Wagner-Peyser Act;
- (iv) promoting the creation and development of job opportunities and the reemployment of unemployed workers throughout the state in every possible way; and
 - (v) appraising the industrial potential of the state.
- (i) The council shall assure impartiality and freedom from political influence in the solution of the problems listed in Subsection (5)(h).
- (j) The executive director or the executive director's designee shall serve as chair of the council and call the necessary meetings.

- (k) (i) A member shall receive no compensation or benefits for the member's services, but may receive per diem and expenses incurred in the performance of the member's official duties at the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.
 - (ii) A member may decline to receive per diem and expenses for the member's service.
 - (l) The department shall provide staff support to the council.

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